

NEW REPLACEMENT NAMES FOR TWO NEOTROPICAL LEAFHOPPER GENERA (HEMIPTERA: CICADELLIDAE)¹

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ABSTRACT: Two junior homonyms were detected among leafhopper genera and the following replacement names are proposed: *Nallia* nom. nov. for *Nollia* Hamilton, 1983, and *Neosuarezia* nom. nov. for *Suarezia* Linnauvori and DeLong, 1978. Accordingly, new combinations are herein proposed for the species currently included in these genera: *Nallia pallida* (Linnauvori and DeLong, 1977) comb. nov.; *Nallia rustica* (Hamilton, 1983) comb. nov.; *Neosuarezia reflexus* (Osborn, 1923) comb. nov.

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The purpose of the present paper is to bring the taxonomy of leafhoppers into accordance with the requirements of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (1999). In an effort to reduce the number of homonyms in the Cicadellidae, we found two Neotropical leafhopper genera whose names had been previously published for other taxa, making them junior homonyms. In accordance with Article 60 of the Code, we propose substitute names for these genus group names.

Family Cicadellidae Subfamily Macropsinae Genus *Nallia* nom. nov.

Nollia Hamilton, 1983. Memoirs ent. Soc. Can. No. 123: 19. (Insecta: Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha: Cicadellidae: Macropsinae: Neopsini). Preoccupied by *Nollia* Eisenack, 1979. Senckenbergiana leth. 60 (1-3): 52. (Protozoa: Acritarcha).

Remarks on nomenclatural change: The Neotropical *Nollia* Hamilton, 1983, was established for a leafhopper genus with the type species *Neopsis pallidus* Linnauvori and DeLong, 1977, from Chiloe Is. (Chile). It is still used as a valid genus name in Cicadellidae (e.g. Oman et al., 1990).

Nevertheless the name *Nollia* is already occupied. Eisenack (1979) established a microfossil genus *Nollia* with the type species *Nollia eifelensis* Eisenack, 1979, in Acritarcha (Protozoa). It is still used as a valid genus name in Acritarcha (e.g. Mullins, 2007). It is a monotypic genus. The genus name *Nollia* Eisenack, 1979 (Protozoa) is recorded by Edwards et al. (1996) in volume 9, page 442 of Nomenclator Zoologicus. In fact, that in accordance with Article 1.1.1 and 2.2 of the Code, we regard *Nollia* Eisenack, 1979, as an animal name.

Thus the leafhopper genus *Nollia* Hamilton, 1983, is a junior homonym of *Nollia* Eisenack, 1979. In accordance with Article 60 of the ICZN, Fourth

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Edition (1999), we suggest here *Nallia* as a replacement name for *Nollia* Hamilton, 1983.

Etymology: From the preexisting name *Nollia*.

Summary of nomenclatural changes

***Nallia* new replacement name**

= *Nollia* Hamilton, 1983 (nec Eisenack, 1979).

***Nallia pallida* (Linnavuori and DeLong, 1977) comb. nov.**

= *Neopsis pallidus* Linnavuori and DeLong, 1977

= *Nollia pallida* (Linnavuori and DeLong, 1977)

***Nallia rustica* (Hamilton, 1983) comb. nov.**

= *Nollia rustica* Hamilton, 1983

Subfamily Deltocephalinae

Genus *Neosuarezia* nom. nov.

Suarezia Linnavuori and DeLong, 1978. Brenesia 14-15: 121. (Insecta: Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha: Cicadellidae: Deltocephalinae: Athysanini). Preoccupied by *Suarezia* Budde-Lund, 1904. Revis. Crust. Is. terr., fasc. 2-3, 41 (Crustacea: Malacostraca: Eumalacostraca: Peracarida: Isopoda: Oniscidea: Scleropactidae).

Remarks on nomenclatural changes: Linnavuori and DeLong (1978) proposed the Neotropical leafhopper genus *Suarezia* with the type species *Eutettix reflexus* Osborn, 1923, from Puerto Suarez (Bolivia) in Cicadellidae. It is still used as a valid genus name (e.g. Oman et al., 1990; Freytag and Sharkey, 2002). Unfortunately, the generic name was already preoccupied by Budde-Lund (1904), who described *Suarezia* with the type species *Mesarmadillo heterodoxa* Dollfus, 1895, in the crustacean family Scleropactidae. *Suarezia* Budde-Lund, 1904, is still used as a valid genus name in Isopoda (e. g. Schotte et al., 1995). It includes two species from Madagascar, *Suarezia heterodoxa* (Dollfus, 1895) and *Suarezia differens* Barnard, 1959.

Thus, the generic name *Suarezia* Linnavuori and DeLong, 1978, is a junior homonym of *Suarezia* Budde-Lund, 1904 (Isopoda). We propose a new replacement name *Neosuarezia* nom. nov. for *Suarezia* Linnavuori and DeLong, 1978.

Etymology: From the preexisting name *Suarezia*. The prefix “Neo-” from the Greek “neos” meaning new.

Summary of nomenclatural changes:

***Neosuarezia* new replacement name**

= *Suarezia* Linnavuori and DeLong, 1978 (nec Budde-Lund, 1904).

***Neosuarezia reflexus* (Osborn, 1923) comb. nov.**

= *Eutettix reflexus* Osborn, 1923

= *Suarezia reflexus* (Osborn, 1923)

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